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TOWN REPORT

JAN. 1, 1943
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U. S. ARMY

Commissioned Officers

Lieut. James T. Wilson

Non-Commissioned Officers

S.-Sergt. Floyd Campbell
S.-Sergt. Harley R. Cloud
S.-Sergt. Charles Doyle
Sergt. Donald J. Doyle
Sergt. Robert Doyle
Corp. Elmer Bullard
Corp. Clarence M. Durant
Corp. Watson J. Kendall

First-Class Privates

Howard T. Brown
Clarence Carter
Ernest C. Durant
Watson E. Hill
Wallace P. Judd
Walter H. Pero
Maurice C. Perkins
Clifford E. Pixley
Carl E. Preston
Everett H. Rhodes
Harold E. Robinson
Dewey H. Varney
Stanley L. Wood

Privates

Bertie H. Howland
Howard B. Robinson

Called

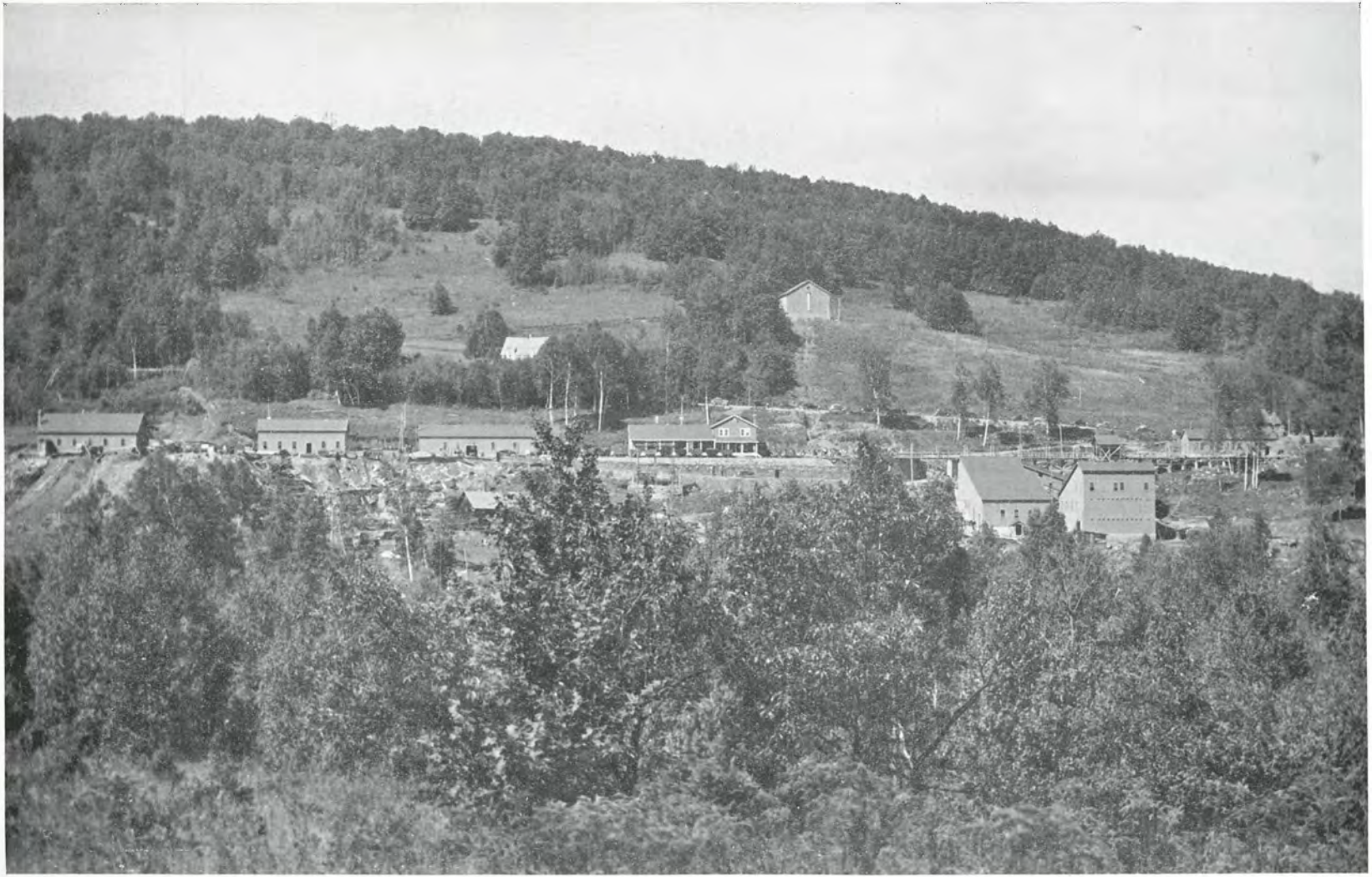
Raymond Corliss
Richard Root

U. S. NAVY

S. 2/c Wayne E. Judd
Jameson H. Jewett

U. S. MERCHANT MARINE

Vernon W. Jewett, Jr.



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TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator	George I. Varney
Clerk and Treasurer	Elizabeth M. F. Chandler
Assistant Clerk and Treasurer	L. Irene Chandler
Selectmen, Delwin I. Preston, George K. Brown, F. L. Lewis	
Road Commissioner	J. Guy Huntley
Permanent Highway Commissioner	F. L. Lewis
Overseer of Poor	Homer H. Kendall
Town Grand Juror	Howard B. Varney
Constable	S. Walker Eastburn

Listers,
Kendall E. Jordan, Howard B. Varney, Glenn E. Titus

School Directors,
George K. Brown, Walter F. Campbell, William G. Norton

Auditors,
H. N. Mattison, Robert H. Ordway, Ernest A. Moore

Trustees of Public Funds,
James W. Tyson, William B. Mobus, Howard B. Varney

Town Agent — H. N. Mattison

Appointive Town Officers

Fire Warden,
Ralph W. Brown (resigned; L. A. Judd (appointed)

Pound Keeper — A. L. Sargent

Fence Viewers
W. G. Norton, Geo. K. Brown, Kendall E. Jordan

Surveyors of Wood and Lumber — I. O. Pixley, A. J. Colby

TOWN OF STRAFFORD:— Settled 1768. Area 24,957 acres. Population 598. Miles of back roads, 44.85; permanent highways, 20.55. Altitude of village, 930 feet. Altitude of Kibling Hill, 1,986 feet.

WARNING FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

(Not Official)

The legal voters of the Town of Strafford are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Town House on Tuesday, the 7th day of March, A. D. 1944, at 10 o'clock A. M., War Time, to transact the following business, namely:—

Art. 1, To elect a Moderator.

Art. 2. To elect a Town Clerk.

Art. 3. To hear and act upon the report of the Auditors.

Art. 4. To vote upon the question: "Shall the Selectmen be empowered to appoint one or two Road Commissioners, or shall one or two Road Commissioners be elected by ballot?"

Art. 5. To elect all other necessary Town Officers.

Art. 6. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of the Public Laws relating to the collection of taxes by its Treasurer, together with the time of payment of the same, and the rate of discount allowed.

Art. 7. To see how much money the Town will raise for the support of schools.

Art. 8. To see how much money the Town will raise to support the poor, defray ordinary expenses, and bridge and highway expenses, under the direction of the Selectmen.

Art. 9. To see how much money the Town will raise for the maintenance of back roads or unselected roads.

Art. 10. To see how much money the Town will raise for selected highways, and for patrol and resurfacing, to take advantage of State Aid Laws.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to deduct a certain percent from wages of delinquent taxpayers to apply on their taxes.

Art. 12. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate funds for the purchase of the Nellie S. Chaffee meadow, so-called, with barn thereon, to be used for athletic purposes.

Art. 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen and the School Directors to hire funds to defray current town and school expenses when necessary during the ensuing year.

Art. 15. To see what the Town will vote to do with the amount, $399.67, raised two years ago for the support of a doctor.

Art. 16. Will the Town authorize the Auditors of the town to employ the services of an accountant from the office of the Auditor of Accounts as provided for in No. 55 of the Acts of 1937 to conduct an audit of the accounts of the Town?

Art. 17. Shall license for the sale of malt and vinous beverages be granted in this Town? Shall spirituous liquors be sold in this Town?

Art. 18. To transact any other legal business.

DELWIN I. PRESTON,
GEORGE K. BROWN,
F. L. LEWIS,
Selectmen.

Strafford, Vermont, February 21, 1944.

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Voters of the Town of Strafford:—

Your Auditors hereby certify that they have examined the accounts of the several Town Officers who are authorized to draw against funds in the Treasury, and have found them correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

H. N. MATTISON,
ROBERT H. ORDWAY,
ERNEST A. MOORE,
Auditors.

Report of the Town on Strafford

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF GENERAL ACCOUNT

January 1, 1944

ASSETS

Balance in General Account	$ 1,204.42		
Balance in Doctor's Account	399.67		
Balance in Community Building Account	71.50		
Cash balance in Treasury, (Total of above items)		$ 1,675.59	
Delinquent taxes in hands of Constable		3,906.70	
Funds due from State for Back Road Account		903.09	
Funds due from State for Permanent Highway Account (approximately)		1,700.00	
Funds due from Trustees of Public Library (to cover overdraft)		3.33	
			$ 8,188.71

LIABILITIES

3% Library fund (funds hired)	$ 6,150.00
4% Interest bearing Town orders (funds hired)	6,625.00
South Strafford School Building fund, (funds hired)	990.00
Funds raised for Doctor (not used)	399.67
Outstanding order, Overseer's account	16.00
Outstanding orders, Road Commissioner's account	4.40
Funds belonging to Community Building account	71.50

LIABILITIES — *(Continued)*

Funds belonging to Permanent Highway account (approximately)	226.46	
		$ 14,483.03
Deduct Assets		8,188.71
Town's Indebtedness		**$ 6,294.32**
Indebtedness, Jan. 1, 1943	$ 8,052.92	
Indebtedness, Jan. 1, 1944	6,294.32	
Indebtedness reduced	$ 1,758.60	

GRAND LIST, 1943 (How it is made up)

Listers' valuation of all taxable real estate in Town		$310,546.00
Listers' valuation of all personal property in Town		65,612.00
Total value of all real estate and personal property		$376,158.00
Less offset on personal property		254.00
		$375,904.00
1% of $375,904.00 is	$ 3,759.04	
Add 263 polls at $1 each	263.00	
Grand List	**$ 4,022.04**	

TAXES VOTED AND MONEY RAISED AS FOLLOWS:

Town tax for General Fund	Rate	$1.90	$ 7,641.38
Tax for School purposes	Rate	1.40	5,630.86
Tax for Unselected Roads	Rate	.30	1,206.61
Tax for Selected Roads	Rate	.25	1,005.51
Tax for Permanent Highways	Rate	.15	603.31
Tax pursuant to Sec. 4878, P. L.,	Rate	.10	402.20
		$4.10	$16,490.37
Old Age Assistance Tax, $2.50 per poll			657.50
			$ 17,147.87

GRAND LIST COMPARISONS, ETC.

Year	Grand List	Polls	Rate	Town Debt
1939	$3,965.32	297	$4.12	$ 9,989.14
1940	4,024.10	319	3.90	10,622.42
1941	3,896.80	288	4.20	9,310.27
1942	3,996.70	266	4.10	8,052.92
1943	4,022.04	263	4.10	6,294.32

PROPERTY OWNED BY THE TOWN

(Not listed as assets)

Sawyer forest	$ 300.00
Community building	1,500.00
James S. Morrill fund (Income to be used for Permanent Highway purposes only)	3,300.00
Austin road machine	100.00
Cletrac tractor	1,800.00
New snowplow	700.00
Ross snowplow	150.00
Town storehouse and garage	250.00
Herbert Jewett land	50.00
Sand spreader	100.00
Steel rims	75.00
Caterpillar road machine	150.00
U. S. 3¼% bonds (James S. Morrill fund for Community building)	1,100.00
	$ 9,575.00

TREASURER'S REPORT

Elizabeth M. F. Chandler, Treasurer

Receipts

1943			
Jan.	1	Unexpended balance	$ 1,658.92
		A. J. & Gertrude E. Colby, loan at 4%	1,000.00
		W. G. & Maude E. Norton, loan at 4%	1,000.00
	8	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
	22	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
	26	L. R. Kelly, State Treasurer, Selected Roads	193.50
	29	L. R. Kelly, State Treasurer, Town Highways	1,037.52
	30	Newton Fund Trustees, income from fund	500.00
Feb.	6	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
	22	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
Mar.	5	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
	19	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
Apr.	5	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
	15	U. S. Treas., Int. on Morrill bonds	17.87
	19	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
May	10	L. R. Kelly, State Treasurer, Winter Maintenance	285.50
	19	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
		H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
	26	Town Clerk, dog licenses	273.95
Jun.	7	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
	24	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
Jul.	5	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
Aug.	6	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
		H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
	20	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
Sep.	7	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
	14	First National Bank of White River Junction, int. on Morrill fund	100.22
	20	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
Oct.	4	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
	15	U. S. Treas., Int on Morrill bonds	17.88
	19	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33

DATE		AMOUNT
Nov. 4	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
24	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
Dec. 4	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
	Taxpayers, real and personal estate and polls	9,862.52
8	L. R. Kelly, State Treasurer, Surface Treatment	926.53
11	Town of Vershire, snow work	57.37
27	H. H. Kendall, Gdn., Erno payment	17.33
29	George I. Varney, scale account, 40 weighings at 5c	2.00
30	S. W. Eastburn, Selectmen's Order, No. 21, abatement of delinquent taxes	45.75
	S. W. Eastburn, Constable, delinquent tax bill	1,675.29
31	Selectmen's Order, No. 28, snow bill	1,522.10
	Harold Ward, scale account, 44 weighings at 5c	2.20
		$ 20,595.04

Disbursements

Accounts of Selectmen,:—		
Net payments	$ 8,898.07	
Federal tax	17.08	
		$ 8,915.15
Poor Account		1,868.48
Town Highway Account:—		
Net payments	$ 4,200.23	
Federal tax	6.31	
		4,206.54
Permanent Highway Account:—		
Net payments	$ 3,694.77	
Federal tax	6.70	
		3,701.47
Library Account		227.81
		$18,919.45
Cash balance, Jan. 1, 1944		**1,675.59**
		$ 20,595.04

ACCOUNTS OF SELECTMEN

Disbursements

General Account

1943			
Jan.	6	Physicians and Town Clerk, vital statistics returned and reported	$ 6.75
		College Supply Store, work on adding machine	15.00
	11	Wilson & Keyser, counsel	9.00
	15	C. V. P. S. Corp., street and hall lights	58.33
	19	Dr. C. A. Smith, 8 communicable diseases reported	2.00
	23	Delwin Lewis, cash paid and parts for snowplow	18.60
	30	Tracy's Garage, repairing snowplow	7.82
Feb.	1	L. Irene Chandler, Assistant Clerk, 3 check lists	3.00
		Auditors, audit, postage, wood and expenses	82.97
		Roy L. Johnson Co., 300 town reports	86.04
	8	Milo L. Sleeper, insurance on Town House	50.00
		Miller Automobile Co., repairs and work on tractor	237.77
	18	C. V. P. S. Corp., street and hall lights	58.33
Mar.	2	S. W. Eastburn, town meeting expenses	11.51
	17	C. V. P. S. Corp., street and hall lights	58.33
Apr.	5	Merton F. Barber, Admr., 2 delinquent tax books	.58
	10	H. J. Thurber, Printer, 2 dog license books, 18 order books and postage	12.86
	13	C. V. P. S. Corp., street and hall lights	58.33
	26	E. W. Thurber, tax notices and receipts	7.60
	28	E. M. F. Chandler, making poll tax book	6.00
	30	K. E. Jordan, listing and cash paid	60.00
		H. B. Varney, listing and cash paid	60.00
		Glenn Titus, listing and cash paid	60.00
		Tuttle Stationery Co., binding statistics, book	10.56
May	14	C. V. P. S. Corp., street and hall lights	58.33
	21	Elmer Gomo, 43½ hrs. on snowplow	21.75
	24	Harold Day, 7 hrs., plowing road	17.50

DATE			AMOUNT
Jun.	3	E. M. F. Chandler, collecting poll taxes, 1%	15.58
		E. M. F. Chandler, making delinquent poll tax book	1.05
	5	Vt. Copper Co., Inc., labor, materials, travel, acetylene torch on bridge repairs	5.00
	12	Town of Tunbridge, plowing snow	10.00
	16	E. M. F. Chandler, figuring real estate and personal property taxes	16.00
	17	C. V. P. S. Corp., street and hall lights	58.33
	19	Ralph Reynolds, wood for Town Hall	7.00
		Jas. Hayes, work on Morrill bridge	33.60
		F. M. Gilman, lumber for Morrill bridge	42.07
	25	E. M. F. Chandler, services as clerk and treasurer	100.00
Jul.	3	E. W. Thurber, tax notices, receipts, etc.	8.75
		Merrill F. Stone, work on Morrill bridge	19.60
		E. W. Turner, work on Morrill bridge	68.50
	15	C. V. P. S. Corp., street and hall lights	58.33
	17	Drs. Smith and Munsell, reporting communicable diseases	5.75
Aug.	16	C. V. P. S. Corp., street and hall lights	58.33
	24	Howard Gilman, work on bridge	5.00
	28	Gile Kendall, mowing Common and Town House hill	5.00
Sep.	7	Edw. H. Peet, Secretary, insurance on storehouse, tractor and plow	11.00
	14	Mark Perkins, bridge plank	123.60
	17	C. V. P. S. Corp., street and hall lights	58.33
	18	F. E. Drown, labor	3.85
Oct.	2	Lyman A. Burbank, Farm Bureau	103.39
	11	Willard Robinson, work in cemetery	7.00
	19	Capital Savings Bank & Trust Company, check book	1.70
	22	C. V. P. S. Corp., street and hall lights	58.33
Nov.	10	W. G. Dunning, shovel, kerosene, nails	2.89
	11	Milo L. Sleeper, insurance on Community Building	23.52
	12	J. Guy Huntley, bridge plank	80.00
	18	C. V. P. S. Corp., street and hall lights	58.33
Dec.	6	E. M. F. Chandler, Treas., delinquent tax book	1.45

DATE		AMOUNT
	E. M. F. Chandler, Treas., collecting taxes, 1%	139.35
15	Tuttle Stationery Co., loose leaf sheets	5.00
16	C. V. P. S. Corp., street and hall lights	58.33
25	E. M. F. Chandler, services as clerk and treasurer	100.00
	Mabel G. Ross, interest for 1 year on Orders Nos. 1048 and 059	25.00
	Geo. K. Brown, interest for 1 year on Order No. 1081	40.00
	Newton Fund Trustees, interest for 1 year on Order No. 1008	80.00
	A. J. & Gertrude E. Colby, interest for 1 year on Order No. B1	40.00
	W. G. & Maude E. Norton, interest for 1 year on Order No. B2	40.00
	B. M. Hall Trustees, interest for 1 year on Orders No. 734 and 921	120.00
27	E. M. F. Chandler, postage, stationery	32.48
	Milo L. Sleeper, care of clock	25.00
30	Carl Perkins, sanding road, 6 hrs.	3.60
	S. W. Eastburn, abatement of delinquent taxes	45.75
	George Brown, services as selectman	25.00
	Delwin Preston, services as selectman	25.00
31	A. L. Sargent, sheep killed by dogs	100.00
	Gile Kendall, damage to flock	50.00
	Geo. Varney, tools and spikes	7.08
	F. L. Lewis, sanding and plowing roads, $67.25; work on bridges, $49.50; services as selectman $25	141.75
	Elmer Gomo, 17 hrs., sanding roads	10.20
	Town Highway Dept., snow bill	1,522.10
		$ 4,765.88

State and County Taxes

1943		
May 10	H. N. Mattison, County Treasurer, county tax	$ 79.93
Oct. 20	State Treasurer, Old Age Assistance tax	591.75
		$ 671.68

South Village School Building Account

1943			
Feb. 10	Maude E. Norton, payment and interest on loan	$	174.09
	Otis Sargent Est., payment and interest on loan		52.21
	George K. Brown, payment and interest on loan		87.05
	Wm. B. Mobus, payment and interest on loan		130.57
	I. O. Pixley, payment and interest on loan		87.05
	Gladys B. Pixley, payment and interest on loan		43.53
		$	574.50

Loans Account (Loans Paid)

1943			
Jan. 1	A. J. & Gertrude E. Colby, Order No. B1	$	1,000.00
	W. G. & Maude E. Norton, Order No. B2		1,000.00
		$	2,000.00

Back Roads Account

1942			
Dec. 26	Frank Chase, 7 days labor	$	31.50
	Glenn Titus, 8 days labor		36.00
	C. B. Reynolds, 1 day labor		4.50
	Charles Russell, 1 day labor		4.50
1943			
Nov. 10	R. K. Prescott, man and truck, 3 days		55.35
	J. Guy Huntley, labor, 6 days		36.00
	James Hayes, 6 days labor		32.40
	Grover Pixley, 6 days labor		29.70
	Glenn Titus, 5 days labor		24.75
	Paul Doyle, 3 days labor		14.85
	Charles Ward, 5 days labor		29.70
17	J. Guy Huntley, 4 days labor		24.00
	James Hayes, 4 days labor		21.60
	Glenn Titus, 4 days labor		19.80
	Grover Pixley, 1 day labor		4.95
	Charles Ward, 4 days labor		19.80
	Harry Ward, 4 days labor		19.80
24	James Hayes, 4 days labor		21.60
26	R. K. Prescott, 2 men and trucks, 2 days		73.80

DATE		AMOUNT
	F. L. Lewis, man and truck, 2 days	36.90
	Walter Malmquist, truck, 2 days	26.10
	J. Guy Huntley, 4 days	24.00
	Grover Pixley, 2 days	9.90
	Glenn Titus, 4 days labor	19.80
	Alfred Manning, 4½ days labor	22.27
	Amos Manning, 4½ days labor	22.27
	Thomas Roden, 2 days labor	9.90
	Charles Ward, 4 days labor	19.80
	Harry Ward, 4 days labor	19.80
	Ralph Stevens, 2 days labor	9.90
Dec. 10	Charles Scott, 120 yards gravel	12.00
	G. M. Reinforced Concrete Pipe Co., culverts	30.40
31	F. L. Lewis, 3 days, hauling gravel	55.35
	R. K. Prescott, 3 days, hauling gravel	55.35
	Charles Ward, 5 days labor	24.75
		$ 903.09

Summary of Accounts of Selectmen

General Account	$ 4,765.88
State and County Taxes	671.68
South Village School Building Account	574.50
Loans Paid	2,000.00
Back Roads Account	903.09
	$ 8,915.15

Interest Bearing Orders Outstanding, Jan. 1, 1944

Order No. 734, dated Sept. 23, 1935, B. M. Hall Trustees	$ 1,000.00
Order No. 921, dated April 28, 1938, B. M. Hall Trustees	2,000.00
Order No. 1008, dated Oct. 3, 1939, Newton Fund Trustees	2,000.00
Order No. 1048, dated April 3, 1940, Mabel G. Ross	425.00
Order No. 1081, dated Sept. 11, 1940, George K. Brown	1,000.00
Order No. 059, dated Dec. 8, 1941, Mabel G. Ross	200.00
	$ 6,625.00

POOR ACCOUNT

Homer H. Kendall, Overseer

(All orders charged to General Account)

1942			
Dec. 29	Eunice Stevens, board of H. Brown to Dec. 29	$	8.00
	Iona Culver, board Mrs. Needham 2 days		1.42
	Mrs. G. Pixley, board Erno girl to Dec. 27		6.00
1943			
Jan. 11	Vera Norris, groceries		10.00
	Abbie Chapple, board Leo Hood to Jan. 6		5.00
	Mrs. G. Pixley, board Erno child to Jan. 10		6.00
22	Dept. of Public Welfare, care of Erno and Mother's Aid		53.36
	Abbie Chapple, board of Leo Hood to Jan. 20		10.00
29	H. C. Moses, Jr., wood for Mrs. Almon Moses		12.00
	Eunice Stevens, board of H. Brown to Jan. 26		16.00
Feb. 6	Alex B. Gray, wood for Mrs. Moses		10.00
16	H. C. Morse, Jr., wood		24.00
	Dept. of Public Welfare (no explanation)		36.86
	Hitchcock Clinic, (no explanation)		9.00
	Hitchcock Hospital (no explanation)		2.50
17	Mrs. Abbie Chapple (no explanation)		20.00
18	Vera Norris (no explanation)		10.00
	Mrs. G. Pixley (no explanation)		15.00
22	Brandon State School, clothing for Erno children		23.15
	Dora L. Ouellette, care of Almon Moses		10.00
24	Dr. R. H. Hazelton, care of Almon Moses		22.00
	Dr. C. A. Smith, insulin for P. Truehart		15.00
Mar. 1	Eunice Stevens, board of H. Brown to March 2		20.00
	Walker Eastburn, R. Stevens' taxes and H. Brown board		9.00

DATE			AMOUNT
	5	Frank Thurston, wood for Mrs. Moses	13.00
		Vera Norris, groceries	10.00
		Abbie Chapple, board of Leo Hood to March 3	10.00
	19	Dept. of Public Welfare, Mother's Aid and Erno board	34.16
		Hitchcock Clinic, care of Geo. Blake	3.00
	26	Abbie Chapple, board of Leo Hood to March 24	15.00
		Mrs. Culver, board of Mrs. Needham 1 week, 2 days	6.42
Apr.	19	Dept. of Public Welfare, Mother's Aid and board	39.99
		N. H. Rhodes, balance due on Poor Account	1.55
	29	Eunce Stevens, board of H. Brown to April 27	32.00
		Abbie Chapple, board of Leo Hood to April 28	25.00
		Vera Norris, groceries	10.00
May	4	W. C. Mitchell, care of Almon Moses	9.00
	14	Mrs. G. Pixley, board E. Erno to May 16	36.00
	19	Dept. of Public Welfare, Mother's Aid and childrens' board	35.79
		Vera Norris, groceries	10.00
	28	Eunice Stevens, board of H. Brown to May 25	16.00
Jun.	7	Boardway & Cilley, complete funeral for Almon Moses	130.00
	11	C. A. Smith, M. D., insulin for P. Truehart	15.00
	15	Dept. of Public Welfare, Mother's Aid and children's board	28.95
Jul.	2	Winston Hammond, balance due on Vera Norris' rent	72.00
	5	Mrs. G. Pixley, board of Elizabeth Erno to July 4	21.00
		Vera Norris, groceries for June and July	20.00
	6	Eunice Stevens, board of H. Brown to July 6	24.00
	13	Abbie Chapple, board of Leo Hood to July 14	55.00
		Windsor Medical and Dental Group, hospital fee on Norris girl	15.00

DATE		AMOUNT
15	Dept. of Public Welfare, Mother's Aid and children's board	28.89
Aug. 20	Vera Norris, groceries	10.00
	Dept. of Public Welfare, children's board and Mother's Aid	22.30
26	Eunice Stevens, board of H. Brown to Aug. 24	28.00
Sep. 7	Abbie Chapple, board of Leo Hood to Aug. 29	32.50
	Vera Norris, groceries for September	10.00
9	Mrs. G. Pixley, board of Erno girl to Sept. 5	27.00
	Brandon State School, clothing for Dorothy and Richard Erno and Dorothy Picknell	29.54
20	Dept. of Public Welfare, Mother's Aid and children's board	22.30
Oct. 4	Mrs. G. Pixley, board of Erno child to Oct. 3	12.00
	Mrs. Vera Norris, groceries	10.00
8	Windsor Medical and Dental Group, medical care for Vera Norris	7.50
19	Dept. of Public Welfare, Mother's Aid and children's board	28.29
Nov. 4	Dr. Mitchell, examining Mrs. Needham	10.00
	Vera Norris, groceries	10.00
11	Mrs. G. Pixley, board of Erno girl to Nov. 14	18.00
13	Homer H. Kendall, services, mileage and cash paid	54.00
18	Dept. of Public Welfare, Mother's Aid and children's board	31.45
	Town of Rochester, admitting Dan Manning to State Hospital	70.00
24	Hitchcock Clinic, doctor's care for George Blake	58.50
29	Eunice Stevens, board of H. Brown to Nov. 30	56.00
	Walker Eastburn, to apply on Ralph Stevens' taxes	39.00
Dec. 4	Mary Hitchcock Hospital, care of George Blake	62.75
8	Sears, Roebuck & Co., clothing for Elizabeth Erno	14.85

DATE		AMOUNT
17	Dept. of Public Welfare, Mother's Aid and children's board and clothing	41.77
22	Mrs. G. Pixley, board of Erno girl to Dec. 19	15.00
	Vera Norris, groceries	10.00
28	Walker Eastburn, to apply on Ralph Stevens' taxes	4.00
29	G. I. Varney, clothing for H. Brown and Town poor	62.69
		$ 1,868.48

Reimbursements to Poor Account

H. H. Kendall, Gdn., compensations for dependents	415.92
Net Cost of Poor for Year 1943	**$ 1,452.56**

Overseer's Outstanding Order

1943 Dec. 28	No. 72, Eunice Stevens, board of H. Brown to Dec. 28	$ 16.00

POOR DEPARTMENT COMPARISONS

Year ended Jan. 31, 1939	$1,920.58
Year ended Jan. 31, 1940	1,927.70
Year ended Jan. 31, 1941	1,750.18
Year ended Dec. 31, 1941	1,838.19
Year ended Dec. 31, 1942	1,968.83
Year ended Dec. 31, 1943	1,452.56

TOWN AGENT'S REPORT

I have to report that there is no litigation pending for or against the Town of Strafford

H. N. MATTISON,
Town Agent.

TOWN HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

J. Guy Huntley, Commissioner

Receipts

State Treasurer, Selected Roads	$ 193.50	
Taxpayers, 30c on Grand List (Back Roads)	1,206.61	
Taxpayers, 25c on Grand List (Selected Roads)	1,005.51	
Selectmen's Order No. 28, snow bill	1,522.10	
		$ 3,927.72
Overdraft		278.82
		$ 4,206.54

Disbursements

1943			
Jan.	12	Jas. Hayes, 110 hrs. on plow	$ 66.00
		Donald Cota, 36 hrs. on plow	19.80
		Grover Pixley, 46 hrs. on plow	25.30
		J. Guy Huntley, 72 hrs. on plow	43.20
	16	Roy Wilcox, breaking and shoveling 20 hrs.	12.20
		Walter Burcham, 14 hrs. on plow	7.70
	26	Grover Pixley, 24 hrs.	13.20
		C. B. Reynolds, 16 hrs.	8.80
		R. K. Prescott, plowing snow, sanding and cash paid	137.75
		Thos. Roden, 2 days	9.90
	27	Geo. Huggett, plowing 13 hrs.	45.50
	28	W. G. Dunning, gas, oil and alcohol for plow	104.43
	29	Jas. Hayes, 105 hrs. on plow	63.00
	30	J. Guy Huntley, 108 hrs. on plow	64.80
		Geo. Benjamin, 24 hrs. on plow	14.40
		Gile Kendall, 34 hrs. on plow	18.70
Feb.	6	Gile Kendall, 40 hrs.	22.00
		Geo. Benjamin, 45 hrs.	27.00
	12	Grover Moses, breaking and sanding	14.77
	13	J. Guy Huntley, 121 hrs.	72.60
	16	Jas. Hayes, 100 hrs.	60.00
	26	G. I. Varney, gas and oil	46.87
		Geo. Benjamin, 12 hrs.	7.20
	27	Hathorn's Auto Service, snowplow repairs	51.60

DATE			AMOUNT
		J. Guy Huntley, 60 hrs.	36.00
Mar.	1	Jas. Hayes, 112 hrs.	67.20
	12	Ralph Stevens, 10 hrs.	5.50
		Ralph Stevens, self and team, 2 days	14.00
	13	Jas. Hayes, 48 hrs.	28.80
		W. G. Dunning, gas and oil	113.40
	15	J. Guy Huntley, 66 hrs.	39.60
	20	Grover Pixley, 22 hrs.	13.20
	29	Vt. Copper Co., plowing snow	60.00
Apr.	1	John Gibson, plank	7.48
		Miller Auto Co., repairs	5.29
	10	Frank Thurston, shoveling snow 7 hrs.	3.85
		Earl Silloway, 2½ hrs., sanding	1.37
		Ernest Turner, work on plow	5.00
		F. L. Lewis, plowing 65 hrs., and sanding	175.50
	28	J. Guy Huntley, 15 days	90.00
May	1	Ernest Moore, 8 hrs. on sand	4.40
	8	Jas. Hayes, 9 days	54.00
	12	Jas. Doyle, 1 day, 2 men and team	13.95
		Jack Doyle, team 2 days	18.00
	22	J. Guy Huntley, 9 days	54.00
	29	Jas. Hayes, 10 days	54.00
Jun.	1	W. G. Dunning, gas, oil and tools	74.79
	5	C. B. Reynolds, 3 days and chain	14.89
		C. B. Reynolds, taxes	4.96
		Kenneth Reynolds, taxes	3.71
		Jas. Hayes, 4 days	21.60
	11	J. Guy Huntley, 8 days	48.00
	14	Kenneth Reynolds, 3 days	11.14
	15	Jas. Hayes, 5 days	27.00
		Kenneth Reynolds, 5 days	18.56
		Kenneth Reynolds, taxes	6.19
	24	Grover Moses, 17 hrs. with team	17.00
	25	J. Guy Huntley, 8 days	48.00
		James Hayes, 4½ days	24.30
	30	Charles Ward, 12 days, 7 hrs.	63.25
Jul.	3	Jas. Hayes, 4½ days	24.30
	5	Kenneth Reynolds, 2½ days	12.37
		J. Guy Huntley, 5 days	30.00
	24	Geo. Blake, cutting brush, 4 hrs.	2.20
	31	Jas. Hayes, 5 days	27.00
		Gile Kendall, 10 hrs. on plow	5.50
		Jack Josler, self and team 1 day	9.00
Aug.	3	Geo. Blake, 6½ hrs., cutting brush	3.57
		Peter Truehart 6 hrs.	3.30

DATE			AMOUNT
	7	Jas. Hayes, 4½ days	24.30
		J. Guy Huntley, 10 days	60.00
		Chas. Truehart, 12 hrs.	6.60
	14	Jas. Hayes, 4 days	21.60
		Thos. Roden, 1 day	4.95
	20	Jas. Hayes, 6 days	32.40
		Clyde Hayes, 9 days	33.41
		Clyde Hayes, taxes	11.14
	21	J. Guy Huntley, 9 days	54.00
	24	W. G. Dunning, gas, oil and tools	91.88
	28	Jas. Hayes, 2 days	10.80
Sep.	4	Clyde Hayes, 4½ days	14.24
		Clyde Hayes, taxes	5.56
		Jas. Hayes, 1½ days	8.10
	11	Clyde Hayes, 4 days	14.85
		Clyde Hayes, taxes	4.95
		Jas. Hayes, 4 days	21.60
		Miller Auto Co., repairs	230.55
		Glenn Titus, 1 day on snow	4.95
		J. Guy Huntley, 6 days	36.00
		Kenneth Doyle, 73 hrs.	40.15
	15	Elmer Gomo, 5 days	24.75
		Jack Josler, cutting brush	22.10
		N. Josler, 10 hrs.	5.50
Oct.	9	J. Guy Huntley, 10 days	60.00
		Jas. Hayes, 4 days	21.60
		Grover Pixley, 4 days	19.80
		Glenn Titus, team 1 day, self 2 days	13.95
	16	Jas. Hayes, 3 days	16.20
		Grover Pixley, 3 days	14.85
		Clyde Hayes, 3 days	14.85
		C. B. Reynolds, 2 days	9.90
		Jas. Hayes, 4 days	21.60
		Grover Pixley, 4 days	19.80
		W. G. Dunning, gas, oil and tools	54.73
		J. Guy Huntley, 10 days	60.00
		Cassellini Venable Corp., repairs	7.70
		Jas. Hayes, 4 days	21.60
		Grover Pixley, 4 days	19.80
		J. Guy Huntley, 4 days	24.00
Nov.	12	Paul Doyle, 7 hrs.	3.85
	25	B. A. Pixley, 7 hrs.	3.85
		F. L. Lewis, truck 79 hrs.; extra man 35 hrs.	157.50
		John Gibson, plank	6.45
		F. J, Miner, 10 hrs. with team	10.00

DATE			AMOUNT
		J. H. Doyle, 10 hrs.	5.50
	26	H. A. Stickney, shoveling snow 10½ hrs.	5.77
		H. A. Stickney, cleaning ditches	4.00
		W. G. Dunning, gas and oil	5.54
Dec.	1	Jas. Hayes, 39 hrs. on plow	23.40
	4	Jas Hayes, 52 hrs. on plow	31.20
	6	J. A. Kimball, gas and oil	40.81
		J. A. Kimball, gas and oil for plow	41.03
		J. Guy Huntley, 40 hrs. on plow	24.00
	13	Jas. Hayes, 42 hrs. on plow	25.20
	15	State Treasurer, cold patch	31.50
	17	C. B. Reynolds, 2 days on plow	9.90
	18	Jas. Hayes, 47 hrs. on plow	28.20
	20	Miller Auto Co., repairs on plow	9.85
		Green Mt. Reinforced Concrete Pipe Co., culverts	21.28
	27	Jas. Hayes, 39 hrs. on plow	23.40
		Carl Perkins, 10 hrs. on plow	5.50
	31	Geo. I. Varney, gas, oil and tools	36.25
		Geo. I. Varney, gas, oil and tools for plow	36.57
		F. L. Lewis, labor with truck	103.00
		N. H. Rhodes, gas for plow	6.34
			$ 4,206.54

Outstanding Orders

1943				
Dec.	6	No. 122	Chas. Judd	$ 2.20
	16	No. 128	Fred Russell	2.20
				$ 4.40

PERMANENT HIGHWAY ACCOUNT

F. L. Lewis, Commissioner

Receipts

Unexpended balance, Jan. 1, 1943	$ 597.87	
First National Bank, White River Junction, interest on Morrill fund	100.22	
State Treasurer, surface treatment	926.53	
Taxpayers, 15c on Grand List	603.31	
		$ 2,227.93
Overdraft		1,473.54
		$ 3,701.47

(Due from State Treasurer for this Account, approximately $1,700.)

Disbursements

1943			
Aug.	31	Highway Department, patrol	$ 152.00
Sep.	18	R. K. Prescott, 2 trucks on tar road	79.95
		George Wight, truck on tar road	45.10
		Park Hill, truck on tar road	36.90
		Maurice Tucker, truck on tar road	36.90
		F. L. Lewis, trucks on tar road	114.80
		Clyde Hayes, 27 hrs. labor	14.85
		James Hayes, 32 hrs. labor	17.60
		George Benjamin, 25 hrs. labor	13.75
		George Cole, 22 hrs. labor	12.10
		Clinton Wright, 8 hrs. labor	4.40
	25	Treasurer of Vermont, use of shovel and freight	172.32
Oct.	5	H. H. Southworth, 198 yds. gravel	14.85
	9	The Barrett Division, Tarvia	809.60
Nov.	6	George Wight, man and truck 27 hrs.	55.35
		R. K. Prescott, man and truck 27 hrs.	55.35
		Walter Grant, man and truck 27 hrs.	55.35
		Maurice Tucker, man and truck 27 hrs.	55.35
		Park Hill, truck 27 hrs.	40.50
		A. H. Magalsky, truck 27 hrs.	40.50
		Virgil Gates, truck 18 hrs.	27.00
		Delwin Lewis, driving truck 29 hrs.	14.85
		Elmer Gomo, driving truck 27 hrs.	14.85
		Kendall Jordan, labor 27 hrs.	14.85
		Leslie Rowell, driving truck 27 hrs.	14.85

DATE			AMOUNT
		Theodore Wight, driving truck 27 hrs.	14.85
		Clyde Sleeper, driving truck 27 hrs.	14.85
		F. L. Lewis, 2 trucks 27 hrs.; foreman 27 hrs.	98.55
	13	Geroge Wight, man and truck 30 hrs.	63.00
		R. K. Prescott, 2 men and trucks 29½ hrs.	123.90
		Walter Grant, man and truck 30 hrs.	63.00
		Maurice Tucker, truck 30 hrs.	46.80
		Park Hill, 2 trucks	56.75
		A. H. Magalsky, truck 30 hrs.	45.00
		Virgil Gates, truck 30 hrs.	45.00
		F. L. Lewis, 2 trucks 29½ hrs.; foreman 30 hrs.	108.00
		Leslie Rowell, driving truck 30 hrs.	18.00
		Delwin Lewis, driving truck 30 hrs.	18.00
		Russell Bragg, driving truck 28 hrs.	16.80
		Loyal Labor, driving truck 27 hrs.	16.20
		Elmer Gomo, driving truck 29 hrs.	17.40
		Theodore Wight, driving truck 30 hrs.	18.00
		Clyde Sleeper, driving truck 16½ hrs.	9.90
		Kendall Jordan, labor 30 hrs.	18.00
	17	George Wight, man and truck 2 days	37.80
		R. K. Prescott, 2 men and truck 2 days	75.60
		Park Hill, truck 2 days	27.00
		Walter Grant, 2 days	37.80
		Maurice Tucker, truck 2 days	27.00
		A. H. Magalsky, truck 2 days	27.00
		Virgil Gates, truck 2 days	27.00
		Kendall Jordan, 2 days labor	10.80
		Delwin Lewis, driving truck 2 days	10.80
		Leslie Rowell, driving truck 2 days	10.80
		Clyde Sleeper, driving truck 2 days	10.80
		Elmer Gomo, driving truck 2 days	10.80
		Theodore Wight, driving truck 2 days	10.80
		Loyal Labor, driving truck 2 days	10.80
		Town of Tunbridge, man and truck 64½ hrs.	134.35
		Frank Austin, 1,989 yds. gravel	198.90
Dec.	6	Parker Hill, mistake on Order No. 33	10.00
	8	Treasurer of Vermont, State shovel and operator	198.15
	11	F. L. Lewis, 2 trucks 22½ hrs.; self 49 hrs.	99.35
			$ 3,701.47

STATE AUDITOR'S REPORT

Montpelier, Vt., Jan. 15, 1944.

Auditors, Town of Strafford,
Strafford, Vermont.
Dear Sirs:—

In accordance with Section 503 of the Public Laws, I herewith send statement of money paid your town by the state for the year ending December 31, 1943.

1943			
Jan.	25	Maintenance State Aid Roads	$ 193.50
	28	Unselected Highways (Town Highways)	1,037.52
May	7	Maintenance State Aid Roads	285.50
Oct.	4	State Aid	1,889.61
Dec.	7	Maintenance State Aid Roads	926.53

Yours truly,

DAVID V. ANDERSON,
Auditor of Accounts.

DOG ACCOUNT

69 dogs at $2.00	$ 138.00
14 dogs at 6.00	84.00
2 dogs at 3.00	6.00
2 dogs at 1.00	2.00
2 kennel licenses	60.00
Amount received	**$ 290.00**
Less license fees	16.05
Credited to General Account	**$ 273.95**

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH M. F. CHANDLER,
Town Clerk.

LIBRARY ACCOUNT

Selectmen, Trustees

Receipts

Unexpended balance, Jan. 1, 1943	$ 39.98		
Town of Strafford, interest on$6,150 at 3%	184.50	$	224.48
Overdraft			3.33
		$	227.81

Disbursements

1943			
Feb. 8	Womrath Bookshops & Libraries, Inc., books	$	3.98
	The Crowell-Collier Pub. Co., American Magazine		4.00
Mar. 29	The Vermonter, magazine		1.60
Jul. 3	Olive Lewis, librarian 6 months		50.00
5	Womrath Bookshop & Libraries, Inc., books		2.29
14	The H. R. Huntting Co., books and supplies		56.63
Aug. 9	The American Magazine, magazine 3½ years		3.00
16	Popular Science Monthly, magazine for 2 years		3.50
23	Robt. V. Fleming, Treas., National Geographic Magazine		3.50
31	Life Magazine, 1 year		3.50
Sep. 16	Popular Science Monthly, magazine 2 years		3.50
Oct. 2	Olive Lewis, librarian, 3 months		25.00
9	The H. R. Huntting Co., books		36.81
	Eschol Pixley, American Girl for 2 years and Hygeia for 1 year		5.50
Dec. 25	Olive M. Lewis, librarian, 3 months		25.00
		$	227.81

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS

Newton Fund, Dec. 31, 1943

Investments

Freeport, N. Y., Waterworks, 4.6%, Bond due 1947	$ 2,000.00
Pawtucket, R. I., Highway, 4.5%, Bond due 1944	5,000.00
Scarsdale, N. Y., School District, 4.5%, Bond due 1969	2,000.00
U. S. Defense Bonds, 2.5%	3,000.00
Town of Strafford, 4%	2,000.00
	$ 14,000.00

Receipts

Bank book balance, Dec. 31, 1942	$ 865.04
Income from investments to Dec. 31, 1943	487.91
Town of Strafford	80.00
	$ 1,432.95

Disbursements

1943			
Jan.	29	Town of Strafford	$ 500.00
		Cash paid out	10.00
		Trustees' services	15.00
Jul.	26	Safe Deposit box	3.60
Dec.	20	R. H. Ordway, care of Newton lot	10.00
	31	Cash and bank books balance	894.35
			$ 1,432.95

Respectfully submitted,

WM. B. MOBUS,
J. W. TYSON,
H. B. VARNEY,
Trustees of Public Funds.
Newton Fund.

STATEMENT OF STRAFFORD WAR FINANCE COMMITTEE

It is with a feeling of deep satisfaction and pride in the loyalty and patriotism of the people of Strafford I make the following report:—

During the Third War Loan Drive last September, Strafford purchased $60,500 worth of War Bonds, and during the calendar year of 1943, over $127,000 worth.

Of this amount, the sum of $35,500 was purchased by individuals, the balance by trustees of various Trust Funds.

GEORGE E. BASSINGTHWAIGHTE,

Chairman War Finance Committee.

REPORT OF 1943 RED CROSS DRIVE

In the American Red Cross Fund War drive of March, 1943, Strafford Branch of Eastern Orange County Chapter raised a sum of $1,388.50, an average of $2.30 for every man women and child in the town, unquestionably a splendid response to this great humanitarian appeal.

REPORT OF WAR CHEST DRIVE

The treasurer of the Town Committee of the Vermont War Chest drive reports that the people of Strafford contributed $474.10 in the autumn campaign of 1943. But one town in the county had a better rating per capita.

LIST OF UNPAID TAXES, JANUARY 1ST, 1944

8% to be added as costs for collection

	1932-3-4-5	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943
Avery, Clara	$....	$....	$ 6.45	$....	$....	$....	$....	$....	$ ....
Avery, F. C.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1.15
Avery, Harold	....	....	....	6.52	....	....	....	....	....
Avery, Mary	....	....	....	6.52	....	....	....	....	....
Avery, Wilbur	....	....	22.05	....	....	....	....	....	....
Bacon, Arlene	....	....	....	....	....	....	7.59	....	....
Barker, H. A. & M. E. Est.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.20
Benjamin, Donald	....	5.75	....	6.52	6.67	6.45	6.75	....	....
Benjamin, Gwendolyn	....	....	....	....	6.67	6.46	6.75	....	....
Boardman, A. J. & E. M.	....	....	3.95	4.02	4.17	3.95	4.25	4.15	4.15
Butler, B. J.	....	....	....	....	....	4.30	20.00	6.65	....
Carter, H. I.	....	....	....	....	....	6.45	....	....	10.30
Chapple, Abbie	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.75	6.65	....
Chapple, C. A. & Abbie	....	....	....	....	....	....	27.77	26.70	....
Culver, H. C.	....	....	....	....	13.54	15.99	9.87	....	103.26
Culver, H. C. & S. Wood	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	94.15	....
Culver, Iona	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65
Dodge, H. L.	....	....	....	....	....	24.01	....	....	....

	1932-3-4-5	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943
Donahue, Peter & Delia	....	....	11.95	26.70	55.63	52.65	44.34	51.78	82.67
Doyle, Berniece	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.20
Doyle, Martin	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	9.08	66.06
DuBoise, Clara J.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1.08
Farnham, Alice, Est.	....	....	31.25	....	....	....	....	....	....
Gilley, S. W., C. E. & G.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	7.43	7.43
Goodson, Lettie	....	....	....	....	6.67	6.45	....	....	....
Goodson, Linwood	....	....	....	6.52	6.67	....	....	....	....
Hanchett, Ralph	....	13.74	....	51.26	....	....	....	....	....
Hayes, Lena	11.98	....	....	....	....	6.45	6.75	6.65	....
Hayes, Leon	....	....	....	....	....	....	5.13	6.65	....
Hazen, Arthur	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2.10
Howland, B. C.	....	....	....	....	....	6.45	....	....	....
Hoyt, Philip	....	....	....	....	....	....	97.52	91.78	94.85
Jamieson, Gretchen	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65
Jamieson, Russell	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65
Jewett, Herbert	....	....	....	6.52	6.67	6.45	....	....	....
Jewett, Mildred	....	....	....	5.86	6.67	....	....	....	....
Jewett, Vernon	....	....	....	5.47	10.79	....	....	4.15	8.25
Kennedy, Glenn	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	9.37
Kennedy, Mildred	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65

	1932-3-4-5	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943
Lane, Geo. F.	....	18.82	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Lewis, Robert C.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.20
Luce, Lottie	144.59	49.40	48.38	53.50	39.63	11.25	33.65	....	32.85
Manning, Mrs. Alford	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	3.36	....
Manning, Alford	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65
Manning, Alice	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65
Manning, Charlotte	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.75	....	....
Manning, Dan	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.75	....	....
Melendy, G. S., Est.	....	....	....	....	....	57.35	63.05	....	....
Melendy, Jesse	....	....	14.25	13.26	15.73	....	6.75	6.65	15.02
Messier, J. J. & Cassie	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	16.45	....
Moses, Gardner	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	20.52
Moses, Jessie	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65
Needham, Melvin	....	.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65
Perkins, Carl	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65	....
Perkins & Carter	....	....	....	7.94	....	....	....	....	....
Perkins, Clarence	....	....	5.07	....	....	....	....	6.65	....
Perkins, Ethelyn	....	5.75	6.45	....	....	....	....	6.65	....
Perkins, Flossie	....	....	6.45	6.52	6.67	6.45	6.75	....	....
Perkins, Howard	....	....	....	....	....	6.45	....	....	....
Perkins, Kate	....	....	6.45	6.52	6.05	6.45	6.75	6.65	17.77

	1932-3-4-5	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943
Perkins, Mark	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65
Perkins, Maurice	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	5.18	....
Perkins, Roy	....	....	1.79	6.52	6.67	6.45	6.75	....	....
Pixley, Alice	....	....	....	....	....	3.12	6.75	....	....
Powers, Arlene	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65
Powers, Dorrance	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65
Preston, Carl	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.75	....	....
Preston, Minnie	39.01	27.00	32.84	38.83	....	34.02	6.75	39.50	32.85
Preston, W. F.	....	5.75	....	6.52	....	....	6.75	6.65	....
Preston, W. F. & Minnie	56.01	16.44	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Preston, Minnie & Carl	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	19.53
Rhodes, F. & Marie	....	....	....	....	37.98	46.07	46.25	45.15	....
Rhodes, Geo.	....	....	....	....	....	29.30	27.35	28.75	....
Rhodes, Marie	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65	....
Richmond, F. L.	....	....	....	....	....	22.10	....	....	....
Richmond, Fred & Doris	....	....	....	....	....	....	20.79	....	21.12
Ricker, E. E.	....	....	....	....	6.67	6.45	....	....	....
Rowell, Elizabeth P.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	2.10
Shoemaker, S. B.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	113.83
Simcox, Wm., Est.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	8.25	8.25
Stevens, Lettie	....	5.75	6.45	6.52	....	....	....	....	....

	1932-3-4-5	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943
Stevens, Ralph	....	24.66	39.02	39.69	22.63	31.20	....	....	....
Swift, Henry	....	....	....	....	50.53	48.61	52.76	....	50.28
Thurston, F. G.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	18.09
Truehart, Chas.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65
Truehart, Wm.	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65
Ward, H. H. & Mary	....	....	....	....	....	30.96	14.59	74.47	78.57
Ward, Quentin	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4.77
Wilcox, Margaret	....	2.75	....	....	....	....	....	6.65	....
Wilcox, Roy	....	2.88	....	....	....	....	....	6.65	....
Wood, E. S. & Myrtle	8.79	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Wood, Stanley	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	6.65	....
	$260.38	$178.69	$242.80	$311.73	$316.71	$492.28	$569.41	$603.43	$931.27

Grand Total, $3,906.70

According to the Treasurer's record, the Grand Total should be $3,914.81, a difference of $8.11.

TOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

TREASURER'S REPORT

Elizabeth M. F. Chandler, Treasurer

Receipts

1943			
Jan.	1	Unexpended balance	$ 3,116.19
May	1	W. G. & Maude E. Norton, loan at 4% interest	1,500.00
Oct.	8	State Treasurer, State School Aid	1,889.61
	11	Strafford Grange, No. 505, for electricity at South Strafford school building	5.00
Dec.	4	Taxpayers, Lease Land rent	68.72
		Taxpayers, Real and Personal Estate and Polls	5,630.86
			$ 12,210.38

Disbursements

School Directors' Orders paid	$ 9,175.05
Cash balance, Jan. 1, 1944	3,035.33
	$ 12,210.38

REPORT OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

1943				
Jan.	14	267	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	$ 39.20
		268	Gladys Willard, teaching 1 wk.	19.60
		269	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		270	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks	39.20
		271	Nellie Knight, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		272	Will Whitcomb, janitor	13.80
		273	Elwin Coburn, janitor	7.00
	28	274	Will Whitcomb, janitor	18.75
		275	Elwin Coburn, janitor	6.00
		276	Eugene Hanchett, janitor	4.50
		277	J. L. Hammett, supplies	4.32
		278	A. C. Parker, Supt.	32.23
		279	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		280	Mrs. Delwin Lewis, teaching 2 wks.	39.20

DATE	NO.		AMOUNT
	281	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	282	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	283	Nellie Knight, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
Feb. 4	284	Franklyn Fisk, transporatation	8.00
11	285	Mrs. Delwin Lewis, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	286	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	287	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	288	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	289	Nellie Knight, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	290	Will Whitcomb, janitor	14.00
	291	Elwin Coburn, janitor 2 wks.	6.00
	292	Franklyn Fisk, transporatation	4.00
25	293	Thetford Academy, tuition	525.00
	294	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	39.37
	295	Mrs. Delwin Lewis, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	296	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	297	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	298	Nellie Knight, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	299	Will Whitcomb, janitor	18.90
	300	Elwin Coburn, janitor	6.00
	301	Eugene Hanchett, janitor	4.00
	302	A. C. Parker, Supt.	32.23
	303	Charles Russell, transportation	30.00
	304	Roy Wilcox, transportation	30.00
	305	L. A. Judd, transportation	5.00
	306	Annabel Robinson, transportation	5.00
	307	Marlene Ruddy, transportation	5.00
	308	Alfred Manning, transportation	10.00
	309	Eva Perkins, transportation	5.00
	310	Geo. K. Brown, transportation	5.00
	311	Franklyn Fisk, transportation	4.00
	312	James Hayes, transportation	5.00
	313	H. H. Kendall, transportation	5.00
	314	Walter Campbell, transportation	5.00
Mar. 11	315	Mrs. Delwin Lewis, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	316	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	317	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	318	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	319	Nellie Knight, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
	320	Will Whitcomb, janitor	17.50
	321	Elwin Coburn, janitor	6.00
15	322	Franklyn Fisk, transportation	4.00
19	323	Franklyn Fisk, transportation	2.00

DATE		NO.		AMOUNT
		324	The Macmillan Co., text books	3.55
		325	J. L. Hammett, supplies	17.32
	25	326	The Macmillan Co., text books	1.75
		327	Mrs. Delwin Lewis, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		328	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		329	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		330	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		331	Nellie Knight, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		332	Will Whitcomb, janitor	14.00
		333	Elwin Coburn, janitor	6.00
		334	Eugene Hanchett, janitor	4.00
	30	335	A. C. Parker, Supt.	32.23
Apr.	1	336	Mrs. Delwin Lewis, teaching 1 wk.	19.60
	3	337	Elwin Coburn, janitor	3.00
	7	338	Geo. Bassingthwaighte, repairs	3.30
	12	339	Will Whitcomb, janitor	14.00
	22	340	Franklyn Fisk, transportation	4.00
	26	341	Collector of Internal Revenue	24.00
	29	342	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		343	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		344	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		345	Nellie Knight, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		346	Will Whitcomb, janitor 2 wks.	14.00
		347	Elwin Coburn, janitor 2 wks.	6.00
		348	A. C. Parker, Supt.	32.23
		349	Thetford Academy, tuition	525.00
		350	School District, Hanover, tuition	75.00
		351	Town of Hartford, tuition	50.00
May	1	352	W. G. & Maude E. Norton, loan	1,500.00
	7	353	Ralph Hanchett, transportation	11.25
		354	Ralph Hanchett, for taxes	3.75
		355	The Grolier Society, Inc., text books	5.15
		356	Franklyn Fisk, transportation	4.00
		357	Milo Sleeper, insurance	25.47
	13	358	Geraldine Campbell, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		359	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		360	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		361	Nellie Knight, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		362	Helen Stone, teaching 1 wk.	19.60
		363	Will Whitcomb, janitor	14.00
		364	Elwin Coburn, janitor	6.00
		365	Eugene Hanchett, janitor	4.00

DATE		NO.		AMOUNT
	22	366	Franklyn Fisk, transportation	4.00
	27	367	Geraldine Campbell, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		368	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		369	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		370	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		371	Nellie Knight, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		372	A. C. Parker, Supt.	32.23
		373	Will Whitcomb, janitor	14.00
		374	Elwin Coburn, janitor	6.00
Jun.	3	375	Franklyn Fisk, transportation	2.00
	10	376	Town of Sharon, tuition	69.00
		377	Geraldine Campbell, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		378	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	39.75
		379	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		380	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		381	Nellie Knight, teaching 2 wks.	39.20
		382	Alfred Manning, transportation	10.00
		383	Eva Perkins, transportation	5.00
		384	Geo. K. Brown, transportation	5.00
		385	James Hayes, transportation	5.00
		386	H. H. Kendall, transportation	5.00
		387	Walter Campbell, transportation	5.00
		388	Ralph Hanchett, transportation	11.25
		389	Ralph Hanchett, taxes	3.75
		390	Will Whitcomb, janitor	14.00
		391	Elwin Coburn, janitor	6.00
		392	Eugene Hanchett, janitor	4.00
	14	393	Roy Wilcox, transportation	14.52
		394	Charles Russell, transportation	24.84
		395	Annabel Robinson, transportation	4.57
		396	L. A. Judd, transportation	4.14
		397	Marlene Ruddy, transportation	4.14
	27	398	A. C. Parker, Supt.	32.23
	28	399	Collector of Internal Revenue	14.80
Jul.	14	400	Sherburne Howatt, supplies	.50
	22	401	J. L. Hammett Co., supplies	25.56
Aug.	9	402	A. C. Parker, Supt.	32.23
	24	403	Bernice Doyle, cleaning	14.00
	31	404	H. N. Mattison, insurance	6.05
Sep.	1	405	A. C. Parker, Supt.	32.23
	4	406	E. H. Peet, insurance	44.00
		407	MacAuliffe Paper Co.	4.41
	8	1	W. F. Campbell, services	22.00
		2	W. G. Norton, services	19.73

DATE		NO.		AMOUNT
		3	Mrs. Harry Ward, cleaning	8.41
	10	4	Geo. K. Brown, services	5.00
	11	5	M. C. Perkins, fuel	10.00
	13	6	Gertrude Coburn, cleaning	7.20
	16	7	Ethel Brady, teaching 2 wks.	40.40
		8	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	40.40
		9	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	40.40
		10	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	40.40
		11	Nellie Glaser, teaching 2 wks.	38.80
		12	James Doyle, janitor	17.00
		13	Arvin Manning, janitor	3.00
		14	Elwin Coburn, janitor	8.00
		15	J. L. Hammett Co.	3.04
		16	Ginn & Co.	13.52
	30	17	Ethel Brady, teaching 2 wks.	40.40
		18	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	40.40
		19	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	40.40
		20	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	40.40
		21	Nellie Glaser, teaching 2 wks.	38.80
		22	Elwin Coburn, janitor	8.50
		23	Arvin Manning, janitor	3.00
		24	John Doyle, janitor	17.00
		25	A. C. Parker, Supt.	32.23
		26	Collector of Internal Revenue	35.20
Oct.	4	27	W. F. Campbell, services	11.93
	14	28	Geo. I. Varney, supplies	3.99
		29	Ethel Brady, teaching 2 wks.	40.40
		30	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	40.40
		31	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	40.40
		32	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	40.40
		33	Nellie Glaser, teaching 2 wks.	38.80
		34	The MacMillian Co., text books	52.52
		35	Silver Burdett Co., text books	4.61
		36	World Book Co., text books	5.30
		37	Glidhill Bros., supplies	5.20
		38	John Doyle, transportation	17.00
		39	Arvin Manning, transportation	3.00
		40	Elwin Coburn, transportation	8.00
	15	41	Kendall Jordan, wood	50.00
	20	42	John Coburn, wood	138.50
	28	43	W. G. Dunning, supplies	1.39
		44	The Macmillan Co., text books	1.41
		45	Ethel Brady, supplies	4.80
		46	Ethel Brady, teaching 2 wks.	38.80
		47	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	38.80
		48	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	38.80

DATE		NO.		AMOUNT
		49	Nellie Glaser, teaching 2 wks.	37.20
		50	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	40.50
		51	John Doyle, janitor	20.25
		52	Elwin Coburn, janitor	8.00
		53	Arvin Manning, janitor	3.00
Nov.	1	54	Kendall Jordan, wood	150.00
	8	55	A. C. Parker, Supt.	32.23
		56	J. L. Hammett, supplies	6.36
		57	The Educational, supplies	2.85
	11	58	John Doyle, janitor	19.00
		59	Elwin Coburn, janitor	8.00
		60	Arvin Manning, janitor	3.00
		61	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	43.40
		62	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	40.00
		63	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	40.00
		64	Ethel Brady, teaching 2 wks.	40.00
		65	Nellie Glaser, teaching 2 wks.	38.40
	13	66	Frank Hayes, labor	1.23
	17	67	Thetford Academy, tuition	650.00
	26	68	Gertrude Day, transportation	15.00
		69	Annabel Robinson, transportation	5.00
		70	Marlene Ruddy, transportation	5.00
		71	L. A. Judd, transportation	5.00
		72	Alfred Manning, transportation	10.00
		73	James Hayes, transportation	5.00
		74	W. F. Campbell, transportation	5.00
		75	Walter Johnson, transportation	5.00
		76	Eva Perkins, transportation	5.00
		77	Geo. K. Brown, transportation	5.00
		78	Elmer Robinson, transportation	12.00
		79	Ralph Hanchett, transportation	10.00
		80	M. C. Perkins, hauling wood	11.00
		81	Geo. K. Brown, sawing wood	7.50
		82	John Doyle, janitor	17.00
		83	Arvin Manning, janitor	3.00
		84	Elwin Coburn	8.00
		85	Nellie Glaser, teaching 2 wks.	38.40
		86	Ethel Brady, teaching 2 wks.	40.00
		87	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	40.00
		88	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	40.00
		89	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	43.40
	29	90	Frank J. Miner, repairs	2.50
	30	91	Charles Russell, transportation	15.00
		92	Roy Wilcox, transportation	30.00
Dec.	4	93	James Doyle	3.00
		94	A. C. Parker, Supt.	32.23

DATE	NO.		AMOUNT
	95	Norman Rhodes, transportation	5.00
	96	W. G. & Maude E. Norton, interest	35.00
10	97	Ethel Brady, teaching 2 wks.	40.00
	98	Dora Brown, teaching 2 wks.	40.00
	99	Eleanor Crosby, teaching 2 wks.	40.00
	100	Helen Stone, teaching 2 wks.	43.40
	101	Nellie Glaser, teaching 2 wks.	38.40
	102	John Doyle, janitor 2 wks.	19.80
	103	Elwin Coburn, janitor 2 wks.	8.00
	104	Arvin Manning, janitor 2 wks.	3.00
13	105	The Macmillan Co., text books	6.77
	106	Educational, supplies	2.85
16	107	John Doyle, janitor	12.50
	108	Elwin Coburn, janitor	4.00
	109	Arvin Manning, janitor	1.50
	110	Ethel Brady, teaching	20.00
	111	Dora Brown, teaching	20.00
	112	Eleanor Crosby, teaching	20.00
	113	Helen Stone, teaching	21.70
	114	Nellie Glaser, teaching	19.20
20	115	Thomas Jones, sawing wood	6.25
21	116	F. L. Lewis, hauling wood	38.00
	117	The Macmillan Co., text books	5.68
27	118	The Macmillan Co., text books	6.90
	119	Woodstock High	25.00
	120	Central Vermont Public Service Corp., lights	30.56
	121	A. C. Parker, Supt.	32.23
	122	Collector of Internal Revenue	98.20
29	123	W. F. Campbell, repairs	10.10
	124	Geo. I. Varney, supplies	32.68
	125	John Doyle, janitor	17.00
30	126	W. G. Norton, making report	12.00
	127	Geo. K. Brown, services	5.00
	128	Gile Kendall, hauling wood	3.00
			$ 9,175.05

Auditor's Statement

The actual expense of running the schools during the twelve months ended Dec. 31st, 1943, was $7,675.05, which is the difference between Orders Paid, as shown above ($9,175.05), and a loan of $1,500.00, made and paid during 1943.

South Strafford School

Teachers:	
Grammar:	
Helen Stone, 19 wks.	$ 372.40
Ethel Brady, 15 wks.	300.00
Primary:	
Dora Brown, 35 wks.	692.00
Repairs	15.90
Fuel and Lights	266.04
Janitor	336.70
Transportation	202.21
	$ 2,185.25

Center School

Teachers:	
Grammar:	
Gladys Willard, 1 wk.	$ 19.60
Mrs. Delwin Lewis, 11 wks.	215.60
Geraldine Campbell, 6 wks.	117.60
Helen Stone, 15 wks.	313.60
Primary:	
Eleanor Crosby, 35 wks.	692.00
Repairs	.50
Fuel and Lights	144.00
Janitor	124.00
Transportation	80.00
	$ 1,706.90

Pond School

Teachers:	
Nellie Knight, 20 wks.	$ 392.00
Nellie Glaser, 15 wks.	288.00
Fuel	36.00
Janitor	43.00
Transportation	70.00
	$ 829.00

Total Expenses Applying to All Schools

Tuition to High Schools	$ 1,850.00
Tuition to other towns	69.00
Supplies	111.58
Text Books	111.57
Sundries	18.61

	AMOUNT
Superintendent of Schools	386.76
Collector of Internal Revenue	172.20
Loans	1,500.00
Insurance	75.52
Interest	35.00
School Directors	75.66
Transportation out of town	48.00
	$ 4,453.90

Summary

South Strafford School	$ 2,185.25
Strafford Center School	1,706.90
Pond School	829.00
Expenses Applying to All Schools	4,453.90
	$ 9,175.05

Strafford School Receipts, 1943

Unexpended Balance	$ 3,016.19
Taxes	5,630.86
State Aid	1,889.61
Lease Land Rent	68.72
Grange	5.00
Loan	1,500.00
	$ 12,210.38
	9,175.05
Total Unexpended Balance	**$ 3,035.33**

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR

July 1, 1942 to June 30, 1943

Teachers' Salaries	$ 3,451.60
School Directors	20.43
Repairs	76.30
Fuel and Lights	345.20
Janitor	476.34

	AMOUNT
Transportation	394.94
Tuition to Other Towns	69.00
Tuition to High Schools	1,725.00
Supplies	54.12
Text Books	52.26
Loans and Interest on Loan	1,579.18
Sundries	9.67
Superintendent of Schools	386.76
Collector of Internal Revenue	38.80
Truant Officer	9.90
Insurance	40.00
	$ 8,727.50

STRAFFORD SCHOOL BUDGET

From January to June 30, 1944

Teachers	$ 2,000.00
School Directors	40.00
Fuel and Lights	90.00
Janitors	230.00
Transportation	250.00
Tuition to High Schools	1,600.00
Supplies	50.00
Tuition to Other Towns	70.00
Text Books	40.00
Superintendent of Schools	200.00
Insurance	25.00
Estimate of Loans Until Tax Time	1,500.00
	$ 6,095.00

The School Directors would recommend a tax of $1.50 on a dollar of the Grand List to be raised for the school year.

GEO. K. BROWN,
W. F. CAMPBELL,
W. G. NORTON,
School Directors.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Board of School Directors and Citizens of Strafford:

This report is for the school year from July 1st, 1942, to June 30th, 1943, and is a part of the report of the Board of School Directors required by law.

Three schools with a total of five teachers and 86 pupils have been maintained for thirty-five weeks. The average daily attendance was 71.64. The average cost for elementary pupils was $76.09, and for high school pupils $75. Twenty-three resident pupils attended high school. The average teacher's salary was $690.32. Twenty elementary pupils were transported at an average cost of $19.75.

A review of pupil progress shows that of the 86 enrolled in the elementary schools, 62 were promoted one or more grades, 13 were promoted one grade conditionally, 3 were not promoted, 7 transferred to other schools, and one dropped out of school. Each of the twenty-three high school pupils completed the entire year of thirty-six weeks. Pupils graduated from the eighth grade were:—Louise E. Whitaker, Denzil Swift, Marjorie F. Doyle, Eugene C. Hanchett, Madeline J. Messier, Marguerite Lewis, Mildred A. Sleeper, and Paul Fielder.

The school buildings are in very good condition and can be maintained in good condition at very little expense. The problem of keeping a complete staff of teachers, however, is becoming increasingly difficult. More than one hundred schools in the state have had to close for this reason. And it is estimated by a reliable authority that two hundred more schools will have to close in 1944 because no teachers can be found to operate them. Our one bright hope in this situation is the patriotism of former teachers who are willing to make sacrifices in their home life and the understanding of the people in helping them to maintain good schools.

I am grateful to the School Directors, parents, teachers, and townspeople for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

A. Courtney Parker,
Superintendent of Schools.

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered in 1943

March 9th, son, Elwyn Kenneth, to Kenneth and Ruth (Morse) Reynolds.

April 25th, (a) son, Melvin Edward, Jr., to Melvin Edward and Maude A. (Russell) Needham.

June 2nd, (a) son, George Wesley, to Delwin Llewellyn and Hazel B. (Linton) Lewis.

July 13th, (a) daughter, June Frances, to Philip John and Nellie L. (Bullard) Traynor.

July 18th, (a) son, Bayard Lee, to Max Morris and Eileen T. (Wilson) Mousley.

Sept. 12th, (a) son, David Alvie, to Alvie Hurd and Claire J. (Thibodeau) Nelson.

Oct. 3rd, (a) daughter, Carol Louise, to Carroll John and Marguerite H. (Durant) Coburn.

Nov. 27th, son, John Arthur, to George Charles and Adele C. (Rainville) Benjamin.

Dec. 24th, daughter, Shirley May, to Gardner Matthew and Jessie E. (Perkins) Moses.

(a) Reported from Hanover, N. H.

Marriages Reported in 1943

March 10th, Donovan D. Preston of Strafford, to Barbara J. Gould of Thetford.

June 20th, George I. Varney, Jr., of Strafford, to Margaret L. Linton of Corinth.

Sept. 25th, Kenneth R. Bowen of Strafford, to Nellie B. Carey of Montpelier.

Nov. 13th, Joseph Fotovich of Strafford, to Ruby Morrison of Strafford.

Deaths Registered in 1943

Jan. 24th, William H. Collins, cerebral arterio sclerosis, 87 years, 1 month, 17 days.

March 1, (a) Burns H. Ladd, hemopericardium, essential hypertenison, 51 years, 4 months, 27 days.

March 11th, (a) Carrie E. Down Sanborn, broncho-pneumonia, cardiac failure, arterio sclerosis, 91 years, 6 months.

April 13th, (a) Clinton A. Chapple, sepsis, chronic empyema, peritonitis, 58 years, 9 months, 29 days.

April 21st, Minnie T. Titus, cerebral atrerio sclerosis, 87 years, 16 days.

Sept. 1st, Kate C. Mobus, angina pectoris, arterio sclerosis, 77 years, 6 months, 13 days.

Sept. 13th, (a) Charles H. Chase, broncho-pneumonia, subcutaneous abscess, arterio sclerosis, 67 years, 1 month, 5 days.

Sept. 21st, Carson A. Smith, coronary embolism, 78 years, 10 months, 27 days.

Dec. 9th, Frank H. LaVoice, diabetes mellitus, died suddenly, 71 years, 7 days.

Dec. 26th, Peter Truehart, angina pectoris, diabetes, arterio sclerosis, 67 years, 6 months, 19 days.

(a) Returned from Hanover, N. H.

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE DEPARTMENT

State House

MONTPELIER, VERMONT

For the information of your taxpayers and because the program touches every community and a great number of its people, the customary annual statement is presented for inclusion in your town report.

The Vermont Old Age Assistance Program is in its ninth year of activity. Nearly 11,000 Vermonters have received the benefit of its services and payments. It has proven a dignified and reliable method of relieving uncertainty, distress and need in old age.

To date, about 8½ million dollars has been expended in the state. The number currently receiving assistance is 5,400 persons. This is about 15% of the estimated number of persons over sixty-five years of age. Since the beginning of the program, the entire expense of administration has been 4.2%. The Social Security Board, Washington, D. C., has figures to show that, on a comparable basis, no other state has a better record for efficiency and economy.

Payments of Old Age Assistance to persons applying from your town amounted to $1,930.00 during the year January 1, 1943, to December 31, 1943.

The number of recipients in December, 1943, was 9.

The increase in the cost of food, fuel, rents and services constitutes a serious problem to persons dependent on small fixed allowances and has been the cause of much concern to the Old Age Assistance Department.

The advice and council of local officials and interested persons has been very valuable, and is gratefully acknowledged by the Director, his associates and field staff.

Very sincerely yours,

W. Arthur Simpson,
Director.